

REMARKS

Claims 3 and 15 have been amended to correct informalities.

The Office has restricted the claims of this application into eleven Species depicted in figures 5, 7, 15, 20, 22, 26, 27, 32, (35-38), (39-42) and 43 respectively.

Applicants elect the species of FIG. 7. Based on the elected figure and its description, the systems and methods of claims 1, 2, 6-10, 13, 14, 15, 16-24, and 33-35 read on the system of elected FIG. 7 based on its description in the specification. It is noted that specific elements and methods of the system of FIG. 7 are shown in greater detail in other figures of the specification. For example, FIG. 15 provides additional detail relevant to Framer 710; FIGs. 16-17 provide additional detail relevant to Parser 720; FIGs. 20, 22, and 27 illustrate a method related to the TPP parser 720; FIG. 26 provides additional detail relevant to the buffer controller of FIG. 7; and FIG. 28 illustrates Parser 750. For this reason, the identified claims each read on FIG. 7 as disclosed in the specification.

Therefore, claims 1, 2, 6-10, 13, 14, 15, 16-24, and 33-35 have been elected, and the remaining claims have been provisionally withdrawn. The restriction is respectfully traversed in order to preserve the issue for subsequent petition since the examination of all of the claims does not create an undue burden on the Office and the subject matter among the groups is not independent and distinct as required by statute.

In summary, Applicants have elected the identified claims reading on FIG. 7 for further prosecution and provisionally withdrawn the non-elected claims from consideration.

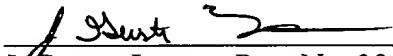
Should the Examiner deem that any further action by the Applicants would be desirable for placing this application in even better condition for issue, a call to the Applicants' representative listed below is requested.

Applicants do not believe that any additional fees are due, but if the Commissioner believes additional fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-0441.

Respectfully submitted,

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